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Containing a Knitted Fabric and Method for
Opening Said Casing

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examining the above-identified application and calculating the filing fee, please amend the application (with reference to the English translation thereof) as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.